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CHILI HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

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APPROVED MINUTES

Call to order: 7:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Bonnie Moore, Chairman, Nancy Austin, Vice Chair, Rona Pearce, Secretary/Member, Phil Supernault, Linda Hamilton, Michael Tata.

Absent: Tom Benner

Reading of the Minutes: Motion to accept, Nancy Austin, 2nd. Linda Hamilton

OPEN FORUM:

Bonnie heard from Barbara Irelands son, Richard Mead. The family has decided not to sell the Ireland home at this time. He asked if the Board would like to take a tour of the home and we were all in agreement that we would, Bonnie will make arrangements for the visitation.

The Wheatland Historical Society in their monthly publication has invited the public to attend a lecture on Barns by the Publisher of the "Barns" book. It is on March 18th, 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church located on Browns Avenue in Scottsville.

The County of Monroe has requested several of the surrounding towns to join them in a Historical Tour sponsored by the County. Items and histories from each town are being submitted. The Town of Chili is participating with written history and also the model Cobblestone School House. The items and history will be sent for display in all the towns, starting with the Monroe County Office Building.

Unfinished Business:

Our schedule for investigations of local landmark homes has been completed. We will visit the home of Carole Thoms in the fall. The Dougherty home will be visited on the first of April. We will also award the Heritage Award to John Testa and the same award to Carpenter Hall at Robert's college.

New Business:

Our Project for publishing a booklet on the Barns of Chili is coming to fruiting. Phil Supernault is our project manager and all the Board will participate in the research and writing. We will request the Town to print the booklet on their new color copier. Linda has begun the research with a report

on the styles of barns. We are most appreciative to Peter Widener for the loan of his barns catalog with the descriptions and color pictures of the 100 or more barns in Chili.

Phil led an excellent discussion on how to go about our booklet. I have listed below the questions we should be asking ourselves what we intend to accomplish with our booklet.

1. What is our reason for writing this booklet about the barns of Chili?
2. We need a comprehensive list of the styles of Chili barns. (There are many styles of barns, but not all are located in Chili.)
3. What do we want to include ie. Advertising Barns, or unique barns descriptions etc. that are no longer standing in Chili, but have important characteristics of the common barn usage.
4. A look back for a glimpse of the peripheral effects such as sales of produce and grains to the community barns dances and Grange membership.
5. An important part of the book should also include the John T. Wells barns and its local history.
6. A discussion of Title for the booklet; when and where did the Barns go?
7. What moment in time shall we cover?
8. What has been the legacy of the barn?

All the members of the Board are very excited about this project and are anxious to start.

The Supervisor is also pleased with the plans for the dedication of the new flag pole; new landmark signs and open house of the Cobblestone School house. The date will be June 12th, Saturday. There are plans in the works for entertainment and food service. Those of us who wish can participate as hosts in period costume. Rona will confer with the Chili Historical Society with the invitation to have the Streeters Inn also open for visitors that day. We will keep in touch with Dawn Forte with regard to details.

The Chili Chil-e fest will be held for two days this year on the July 4th weekend. Nancy has received a call from the McBrides, owners of the Antique cars who have participated in our parade for a few years. They still wish to be in the parade with their cars, however they will be at their family reunion that weekend. We will help make arrangements for drivers of the cars. Mike Curley from Recreation will coordinate this.

As there was no further work to be done, meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rona Pearce, Secretary